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Applicant

Donald Gross

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VALVE HANDLE

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Examiner

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Docket No.

GRO-12525

AMENDMENT "B"
(In response to Paper No. 5)

Mail Stop <u>RCE</u>
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This amendment is filed together with a Request for Continued Examination, and in response to the Office action dated February 11, 2003. The three month period for responding to the Office action expired on May 11, 2003. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests and petitions that the response date be extended, for three months, to August 11, 2003. The \$465 extension of time fee is enclosed. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.